

LOCAL AFFAIRS

A. C. L. Local Time Table.

Passenger, Northbound..... 8 35 a. m.
Passenger, Southbound..... 10 40 a. m.
Passenger, Northbound..... 3 00 p. m.
Passenger, Southbound..... 8 51 p. m.

C. H. & N. Local Time Table.

Passenger, Southbound, Daily..... 10:50 a. m.
Passenger, Northbound, Daily..... 4:30 p. m.
Pass. and Frt. Daily Ex. Sun. S. 2:00 p. m.
Pass. and Frt. Daily Ex. Sun. N. 10:30 a. m.

Peace River Lodge No. 66, F. & A. M., meets every night on or before the full moon in each month.
W. S. DAVENPORT, W. M.
J. W. PLATT, Secretary.

B. Royall, of Gardner, was in town Tuesday.

A. McN. Page, of Colorado, was in town Monday.

J. W. Burton is taking in the Tampa Fair this week.

Reynolds of St Petersburg, is in Arcadia on a visit.

A. C. Freeman went to Jacksonville Sunday to meet her mother.

Misses T. B. and J. G. King went to Louisville Tuesday on business.

Misses T. B. King and A. L. Gates returned from visiting the fair.

Frank Broadnax, a prominent insurance man of Atlanta, was in town last week.

Capt. E. J. Register, of Savannah, Ga., a business visitor to Arcadia Wednesday.

Mr. Schneiderman, of Tampa, district manager of Singer Mfg. Co., is in Arcadia Tuesday.

Mr. Davis, a prominent naval storekeeper of Brownville, was in town Tuesday.

Miss Daisy Harward, Pleasant and Harward were visitors to Tampa this week.

March 17. A high class entertainment for benefit of city park. Don't get the date.

Mr. E. H. Walker, genial orange grower of Orlando, is spending several days in the City.

Mr. H. K. Hooks, Express agent and family are now located at the Broadway Hotel on Polk Ave.

Mr. John A. Graham, of Bradentown, Capt. Enoch Skipper, of Bartow, were in the City Tuesday.

Mr. J. J. Heard, President of the State Bank, was a business visitor to Tampa Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. D. Futch, representing the Daniel Miller Dry Goods Co. of Baltimore, was in business in Arcadia Wednesday.

Conductor Bob Perkins has been temporarily transferred from the Charlotte Harbor Division to the Bartow Junction.

Mr. W. H. Simmons and G. R. Parker are busily engaged in installing a Bank of general merchandise business at Boca Grande.

Mr. A. Hampton Strickland, representing the commission house of C. H. Hancock, of Philadelphia, made a business visit to Ft Myers Monday.

The Naval Store Operators of DeSoto county, met in Arcadia Wednesday for the purpose of fixing a set schedule of prices pertaining to their mutual interests.

Mrs. Minnie Smith, Misses Florence Benchen, N. E. Barker and Mary Taylor returned from the State Fair Sunday. They report the Fair a grand success, especially the Range and races.

Mr. John M. Lanier returned Sunday on a week's sojourn at the Fair. He reports the Pike a grand success and the located flees and performing geese and minceckers high class specialties.

Mrs. J. E. Kreider has returned from Tampa bringing her friend, Mrs. Kingsley (who will extend her visit for some time longer) back with her. They spent a few days with Mr. Kreider at Boca Grande fishing.

Coast Line Passenger train No. 89, Capt. Lanier, was partially wrecked Saturday night at Alligator Creek, caused by a defective switch. Capt. Lanier was painfully injured and many persons fearfully frightened.

Beans, Beans, Beans

All kinds of

Beans to plant

Also

Watermelons

Cantaloupes

and

Cucumbers

Thomas Perkins, Sr. Arcadia

Mrs. Ed Scott left Tuesday for the State Fair.

Elam B. Carlton, of Wauchula, was in Arcadia Tuesday.

Mrs. Ella Williamson leaves Monday to teach school at Holmes.

Saturday is Washington's Birthday and all the banks will be closed.

March 17th, entertainment for benefit of City Park. Don't forget the date.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Seward visited the fair this week, remaining two weeks.

Mrs. J. L. deTreville entertained the Ladies Afternoon Whist Club Wednesday.

Judge R. E. Brown and Banker C. C. Chollar attended the Tampa Fair this week.

Miss May Dishong is in Tampa visiting the fair, and her sister who is cashier in the Kress Department Store.

Mr. Warran C. Safford, of New York and Spring Valley, N. Y. is visiting Rev. R. Stanley at his Sanabel Island home for a few weeks.

Miss Nita Henderson left Saturday a. m. for a short visit to Miss Anderson, in Tampa, after which she will return to her home in Atlanta.

Miss Grace Strader, of Richmond, Va., is visiting Mrs. Ed Scott. She is a charming lady and graduate of The Old Dominion Hospital. She will be here several months.

Chas. R. Webster, A. M. Webster and Leonard Hillis, of Peoria, and C. M. Lawrence, of Chicago, are in Arcadia this week in the interest of emigration to this section. They are very enthusiastic over Dr. C. H. Smith's railroad proposition.

Tuesday evening Mrs. Geo. Parker entertained a few friends at cards in honor of her guest, Miss Hawkins.

Those present were: Mrs. Geo. Parker; Misses, Hawkins, Simmons, Pooser; Mesdames, Wey, Horton and Carter; Stroud and Corben. After a very enjoyable game hot chocolate and cake were served.

Miss Bean, of the Baptist Orphanage, has been visiting the fair this week. She brought some garments made by the little girls of the orphanage. These garments are now on exhibition in the Woman's Building. While at the fair Miss Bean received several valuable gifts for the orphanage. The St. Lucie county commissioner gave a crate of pineapples and Alachua's commissioner donated a bag of peanuts, others are to remember the orphanage when the fair is over.

First M. E. Church, South.

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.

Preaching 11 a. m. Subject, "Hindrances to Prayer." Text, James 4:3.

The regular monthly Missionary Meeting will be held by the League, 3:30 p. m.

Preaching, 7:15 p. m. Subject, "The Greatness of God." Text, Psalm 104:3.

You are cordially invited to all our services.

CHARLES W. WHITE, P. C.

Ladies' Afternoon Card Club.

The Ladies' Afternoon Card Club met on Wednesday with Mrs. Jake Wey. The score indicated Mrs. T. B. King to be winner of first honors, a handsome silver hair curler. The second, also silver curlers, was won by Miss Mabelle Hawkins.

Chicken sandwiches, tea and cake were served as refreshments.

St. Edmunds Church.

Services next Sunday. Sexagesima

9:45 a. m., Sunday School

11 a. m., Morning Prayer

Sermon

7:15 p. m., Evening Prayer

Sermon

All are cordially invited

REV. RUDOLPH STANLEY,

Rector.

Two or three furnished rooms to rent

Apply to Mrs. Ella Williamson

New line of Millinery and Silk Waists at Kanner & Company's

Come out and look at Z. T. Murphreys fine sweet seedling orange trees, 2 1/2 miles west of Arcadia.

If you don't know what to eat call around and Espenlaub will tell you

Doubtless Breathitt County, Ky. will breathe easier now that Judge Hargis has been permanently blue-penciled

Valentine Party.

St. Valentine's Day was celebrated in grand style. The party given the younger society people at Doctor and Mrs. Simmon's was one of the swellest affairs this season. The parlors were festooned in red and white. The halls and dining rooms were also decorated in the appropriate color scheme and "hearts" every where (but the hearts of the swains were pulsating a degree stronger by the sight of so much feminine loveliness).

The chief amusement. The game of "hunting hearts." The greatest number was found by Miss Mittie Harward, who was awarded a box of Huyler's candy. The guests then assembled into the parlor where pads and pencils were furnished, a prize being offered to the one who made the greatest number of words out of the text "St. Valentine." The prize was given to Miss Olney Williams. A heartshaped handkerchief box of handkerchiefs. The gentlemen's prize, a handsome valentine, was awarded Mr. Turner. Music and recitations interspersed with conversation until at the midnight hour, a delightful supper was served, which consisted of chicken, salad, wafers, pickles and olives, hot chocolate, salted nuts, lemon sherbet and cake.

Girls' Saturday Musicale.

Miss Sweet entertained the Girls' Musicale at her studio on Saturday from 3 to 4. The following program was rendered:

Piano Solo, "Star of the Sea," Kennedy

Sophie May Smith

Piano Solo, "Class Reception," 2 step..

Nell Ford

Song, a "Meet Me Sweet Kathleen in Honey Suckle Time"

b. "The Songs Mother Used to Sing"

Lillie Draughton

Piano Solo, "Language of Flowers,"...

Inez Clark

Piano Solo, a "Waltz of the Whirlwind"

Waltz in Ab.....Raff

Miss Sweet

Ice cream was served afterwards at Randall & Hodge's Confectionery Store.

SOPHEY MAY SMITH,

Secretary.

Mrs. A. L. Gates Entertains.

Saturday afternoon Mrs. A. L. Gates entertained at Bridge at her apartments. The game was highly enjoyed. The largest score being made by Mrs. de Treville and was awarded a handsome silver hat pin. After which a buffet luncheon was served. Chicken and egg salad served in tomatoes, vinds, chicken sandwiches, olives, pickles, cheese, walnuts and hot chocolate, stuffed dates and cake. Those present were: Mesdames, Gates, Lock, de Treville, T. B. King, J. G. King, Wey, Bruce, Williford, Geo. Parker, J. F. Stonebraker, Rapalje, Horton, L. C. Dunn, of Atlanta, Forrester; Misses Pooser and Sweet.

Miss Sweet assisted Mrs. Gates in entertaining.

The Great Walden Coming Soon.

One of Professor Walden's new illusions this year is the Magic Bricks. A most puzzling mystery. A case of where an object may occupy several places at the same time, and again be no place at all.

A gentleman who witnessed a recent Walden performance in Florida assured us that the entertainment is one of the best in this line he ever saw. It is very entertaining for young and old.

Mr. Walden the past season traveled over 17,000 miles, being in twenty-two different states. The press in all places speaking in the most flattering terms of him.

Remember DeSoto Opera House, one night only, Wednesday, February 26th. Reserved seat 50 cents. Will be on sale at Harry Cross' Drug Store.

CHAMPION BUSINESS BRINGERS

News of the Week in Arcadia's Business Circles. How, When, Where and What to Buy

Postal albums at the Smith Drug Co.'s store

Eggs, eggs, eggs. Plenty of them at Espenlaub's.

Blankets from 53c up to \$5.00. M. Kanner & Co

Ride a Bicycle, it's all the go. M. L. Bryan has them for rent.

Fruits, candies, nuts, raisins and other things good to eat at Bryan's

Bring your cow hides to W. F. Espenlaub. He pays cash for hides.

I. D. L. Butter, the best in the land at Espenlaub's always on hand.

Walter Kabrich, the White Sewing Machine agent, is the one to see

See Walter Kabrich about trading your old Sewing Machine for a new one

FOR RENT—Nice Large Airy Rooms for Offices. See Gore & Scott.

Let Walter Kabrich prove to you that the White Sewing Machine is the best

Nice, choice, town lots for sale cheap

Terms to suit purchaser. E. F. Childers

F. Morqus has just got in a big new line of boy's suits. Guaranteed to fit any boy

A trial will convince you that the White Sewing Machine is the best for family use

Jno. M. Lanier has just gotten in an up-to-date coffee urn and will serve hot coffee and other hot drinks from now on

Valentines at Smith Drug Co.'s

If you want a real valentine call on Smith Drug Co

Arcadia Souvenir Post Cards. Orange groves, fire scenes, woods scenes, etc., painted in natural colors at Smith Drug Company.

Several thousand old newspapers for sale at 20 cents a 100. See us at our new office or call up 'phone 40.

Souvenir post cards, all the latest Arcadia and other views, the "Artistically Neat" kind. F. Morqus, Arcadia.

Fancy groceries etc. always on hand. A fresh, new line of good things to eat. Everything first class. Only the best the market affords in fancy groceries, at Espenlaub's

A. G. Friederite has a fine line of jewelry that will attract those wishing articles of merit at reasonable prices. See his watches, brooches, bracelets, rings, cuff buttons, shirt waist sets, spectacles, clocks, watchchains, etc; etc

Friederite has some beautiful specimens of the latest fancies in precious stones, sets for rings, brooches, etc. Call and see.

The easy way to find out what will tempt your appetite is to call on Espenlaub and look at the good things he has to offer in the way of fancy groceries

Reception.

The reception given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church, on last Thursday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. O. H. Parker, was a most enjoyable affair.

Owing to the rain, there were not as many present as would otherwise have been, but quite a number were there.

The parlor and dining room were beautifully decorated with cut flowers.

The refreshments were delicious, consisting of chicken salad, olives, pickles, wafers, chocolate and several kinds of cake.

During the afternoon the following splendid musical program was rendered:

Piano Solo, "Serenade".....Schubert

Mrs. R. E. Whidden

Vocal Solo, "Scenes That Are Brightest,"

Mrs. J. N. Hollingsworth

Piano Solo, "La Chasse An Lion,".....

Mrs. T. B. King

Vocal Solo, "Barbara Allen,".....

Mrs. Rapalje

Piano Solo, "The Mill,".....

Mrs. A. E. Houstoun

Vocal Solo, "Four Leaf Clover,".....

Miss Olney Williams

Ladies' Friday Musicale.

The Ladies' Friday Musicale met with Mrs. P. C. Brown Friday, February 14, 1908.

The following program was rendered:

Piano Solo, "Gondolier,".....Powell

Mrs. P. C. Brown

Piano Solo, "Love's Golden Star,"....

Mrs. C. Y. Crawford

Vocal Solo, "Dear One,".....Brackett

Mrs. E. D. Treadwell

Piano Solo, "Serenade,".....Stojowski

Mrs. T. B. King substitute for

Mrs. J. N. Hollingsworth

Piano Solo, "Valse Arabesque,"....Lach

Mrs. C. C. Chollar

Club adjourned to meet with Mrs. R. E. Brown, at the residence of Mrs. C. C. Chollar, Friday, February 21, at half past three o'clock.

MRS. C. Y. CRAWFORD,

Secretary.

U. S. District Court, Southern District of Florida. SS. In Re H. C. Betha, Bankrupt. In the Matter of Petition for Final Discharge. On this 14 day of February, A. D. 1908, on reading the foregoing petition, it is ordered by the court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 2 day of March, A. D. 1908, before said court, at Jacksonville, in said district at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and that notice thereof be published in THE CHAMPION a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted. And it is further ordered by the court, that the clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors notice of said petition and this order addressed to them at their places of residence as stated. Witness the Honorable James W. Locke, Judge of the said court, and the seal thereof at Jacksonville, in said district, on the 14 day of February, A. D. 1908. JAMES W. LOCKE, Judge. A true copy. Attest: E. O. LOCKE, Clerk.

Seven Reasons Why You Should Habitually Attend Church

1. It secures your highest welfare.

"Come thou with us and we will do thee good, for the Lord hath spoken good concerning Israel."—Num. 10: 28

2. It is the command of God.

"Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is."—Heb. 10: 25. Obedience to the laws of God promotes the welfare of the soul, as obedience to the laws of nature produce welfare in the body.

3. The Church is God's channel of life.

"Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God."—Rom. 10: 17. "How shall they hear," asks Paul, "without a preacher?" "It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe."—1 Cor. 1: 21

The preached word of God is his appointed channel through which flows into the quickening Spirit of God, and hence it is safe to say that ninety-five chances of salvation at church to one when away.

4. Lest we forget.

In the swirl of the world's business and demands and enticements the tendency is to forget the Kingdom of God. The church services are designed to keep the mind alive to the importance of the things that are unseen and eternal. "How shall we neglect so great salvation?"—Heb. 2: 3.

5. Our temporal welfare promoted by the Church.

"Godliness is profitable unto all things having the promise of THE LIFE THAT NOW IS, as well as that which is to come."—1 Tim. 4: 8. The ordinances of the church promote this characteristic of the soul, unto which God has promised prosperity. The faithful church goer secures the best of all that is worthy to be called true welfare.

6. It promotes happiness.

"These things have I spoken unto you that my joy might remain in you and that your joy may be full" is the assurance of Christ.—John 15: 11. It is especially in the preaching of the gospel that these joy-producing words of Christ are held forth which produce "the joy of salvation."

7. Christian fellowship promoted.

The church services promote the tenderest ties of human friendship. Loving the same Christ makes Christians love one another. Clustering closely around the central object of love, Christians cluster closely together. Hearts that are "in tune with the Infinite" are necessarily in tune with each other, and there comes "the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace."—Ephesians 4: 4. Love is the centre of Christian life, and when it is enjoyed in the church it necessarily secures that "he who loves God shall love his brother also."—1 John 4: 21. In view of this sevenfold reason we say as did Moses to Hobab, "Come thou with us and we will do thee good."